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Interim Registration Review Decisions and Case Closures for Several Pesticides; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of EPA's interim registration review decision for the following chemicals: Aldicarb, aliphatic esters, atonik plant growth regulators, bromuconazole, carfentrazone-ethyl, cyclanilide, ethephon, flumiclorac-pentyl, hexazinone, hymexazol, menthol, mepiquat chloride/mepiquat pentaborate, metaflumizone, and propylene glycol/dipropylene glycol/triethylene glycol. It also announces the case closures for Oxazolidine-E (Case 5027 and Docket ID Number: EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0404) and Bromohydroxyacetophenone (BHAP) (Case 3032, EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0726), because the last U.S. registrations for these pesticides have been canceled.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. *Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, human health, farm worker, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since others also may be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be

affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the pesticide specific contact person listed under

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *For pesticide specific information, contact:* The Chemical Review Manager for the pesticide of interest identified in the Table in Unit IV.

For general information on the registration review program, contact: Dana Friedman, Pesticide Re-Evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 347-8827; email address: *friedman.dana@epa.gov*.

II. Background

Registration review is EPA's periodic review of pesticide registrations to ensure that each pesticide continues to satisfy the statutory standard for registration, that is, the pesticide can perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment. As part of the registration review process, the Agency has completed interim decisions for all pesticides listed in the Table in Unit IV. Through this program, EPA is ensuring that each pesticide's registration is based on current scientific and other knowledge, including its effects on human health and the environment.

III. Authority

EPA is conducting its registration review of the chemicals listed in the Table in Unit IV pursuant to section 3(g) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide

Act (FIFRA) and the Procedural Regulations for Registration Review at 40 CFR part 155, subpart C. Section 3(g) of FIFRA provides, among other things, that the registrations of pesticides are to be reviewed every 15 years. Under FIFRA, a pesticide product may be registered or remain registered only if it meets the statutory standard for registration given in FIFRA section 3(c)(5) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(5)). When used in accordance with widespread and commonly recognized practice, the pesticide product must perform its intended function without unreasonable adverse effects on the environment; that is, without any unreasonable risk to man or the environment, or a human dietary risk from residues that result from the use of a pesticide in or on food.

IV. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.58, this notice announces the availability of EPA's interim registration review decisions for the pesticides shown in the following table. The interim registration review decisions are supported by rationales included in the docket established for each chemical.

Table -- Registration Review Interim Decisions Being Issued

Registration Review Case Name and Number	Docket ID Number	Chemical Review Manager and Contact Information
Aldicarb Case 0140	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0161	Susan Bartow <i>bartow.susan@epa.gov</i> (703) 603-0065
Aliphatic Esters Case 4005	EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0084	Brian Kettl <i>kettl.brian@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0535
Atonik Plant Growth Regulators (Sodium 5-Nitroguaiacolate, Sodium o-Nitrophenolate, Sodium p-Nitrophenolate) Case 6067	EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0832	Chris Pfeifer <i>pfeifer.chris@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-0031

Bromuconazole Case 7035	EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0535	Thomas Harty <i>harty.thomas@epa.gov</i> 703-347-0338
Carfentrazone-ethyl Case 7422	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0815	Jordan Page <i>page.jordan@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0467
Cyclanilide Case 7018	EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0153	Leigh Rimmer <i>rimmer.leigh@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0553
Ethephon Case 0382	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0098	Mark Baldwin <i>baldwin.mark@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-0504
Flumiclorac-pentyl Case 7232	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0084	Christian Bongard <i>bongard.christian@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0337
Hexazinone Case 0266	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0755	Bilin Basu <i>basu.bilin@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0455
Hymexazol Case 7016	EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0127	Caitlin Newcamp <i>newcamp.caitlin@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0325
Menthol Case 4063	EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0900	Chris Pfeifer <i>pfeifer.chris@epa.gov</i> (703) 308-0031
Mepiquat chloride/Mepiquat pentaborate Case 2375	EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0083	Caitlin Newcamp <i>newcamp.caitlin@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0325
Metaflumizone Case 7446	EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0417	Brittany Pruitt <i>pruitt.brittany@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0289
Propylene Glycol, Dipropylene Glycol and Triethylene Glycol Case Numbers 3126 and 3146	EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0218 EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0219	Megan Snyderman <i>snyderman.megan@epa.gov</i> (703) 347-0671

The proposed interim registration review decisions for the chemicals in the table above were posted to the docket and the public was invited to submit any comments or new information. EPA addressed the comments or information received during the 60-day comment period for the proposed interim decisions in the discussion for each

pesticide listed in the table. Comments from the 60-day comment period that were received may or may not have affected the Agency's interim decision. Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.58(c), the registration review case docket for the chemicals listed in the Table will remain open until all actions required in the interim decision have been completed.

This document also announces the closures of the registration review cases for Oxazolidine-E (Case 5027, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0404) and Bromohydroxyacetophenone (BHAP) (Case 3032, EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0726) because all of the U.S. registrations for these pesticides have been canceled. Background on the registration review program is provided at: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticide-reevaluation>.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*

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